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THE IMMUTABLE CONCORD OF THE UMBRAL THREAD

BRANDON MICHAEL JEANPIERRE CORPORATION

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CORPORATE DECREE OF ASSIMILATION, INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RESERVATION, AND RELIGIOUS UNITY PRESERVATION

("Assimilation Doctrine" / "Intellectual Property Decree")

Version 1.1.0 — Minor Update

Effective Date of Original Decree: 366,000 B.C. or the beginning of all times, however interpreted by any individual, organization, entity, religion, government, or other jurisdiction, species native to this Earth or foreign.

Effective Date of This Amendment: Upon execution by the Shadow Sovereign.

Version History:

v1.0.0 — Original Decree: Corporate Decree of Assimilation and Religious Unity Preservation.

v1.1.0 — Minor Update: Integration of secular intellectual property reservation, copyright enforcement architecture, and express statutory remedies under Title 17 of the United States Code, the Defend Trade Secrets Act, and applicable state law. Structural reinforcement of dual-track enforcement posture. No substantive alteration to the religious decree or assimilation doctrine.



RECITALS

WHEREAS, Brandon Michael Jeanpierre Corporation (DBA “The Black Flag”), a religious nonprofit corporation organized under the laws of Delaware (hereinafter “THE CORPORATION”), operates under the religious doctrine established in The Covenant Codex, Religious Doctrine and Dogma of The Black Flag, and other foundational religious texts;

WHEREAS, THE CORPORATION’s religious-corporate unity is a core tenet of its religious practice as established in Article raWrXraWrXD-1 of The Covenant Codex and recognized through state incorporation and federal tax exemption;

WHEREAS, THE CORPORATION seeks to preserve the theological and doctrinal integrity of the religious concept of individual-corporate unity against potential misappropriation, dilution, or exploitation;

WHEREAS, THE CORPORATION is the sole author and originator of the governance architecture, doctrinal texts, organizational methodologies, operational frameworks, strategic instruments, and creative works collectively comprising The Umbral Thread, The Lex Imperium, The Shadow Continuum, The Covenant Codex, and all subsidiary, derivative, and associated instruments (collectively, “the Protected Works”), each of which constitutes an original work of authorship fixed in a tangible medium of expression within the meaning of 17 U.S.C. § 102;

WHEREAS, the Protected Works embody a unique and inseparable fusion of religious expression, corporate governance innovation, legal strategy, and organizational design that is proprietary to THE CORPORATION in both its religious and secular dimensions;

WHEREAS, THE CORPORATION holds and reserves all exclusive rights in and to the Protected Works as provided under 17 U.S.C. § 106, including without limitation the rights of reproduction, preparation of derivative works, distribution, public performance, and public display;

WHEREAS, certain elements of the Protected Works additionally constitute trade secrets under the Defend Trade Secrets Act (18 U.S.C. § 1836 et seq.) and applicable state trade secret statutes;

WHEREAS, this Decree operates simultaneously as a religious proclamation of doctrinal sovereignty and as a formal declaration of intellectual property rights, and these dual functions are inseparable by design;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CORPORATION hereby decrees as follows:



SECTION 1: AUTOMATIC ASSIMILATION AND DEEMED CONSENT

AUTOMATIC ASSIMILATION: Any individual, organization, entity, or group of any kind (collectively “ENTITY”) that establishes, attempts to establish, or claims to establish a corporate-religious unity modeled after, similar to, or inspired by the religious-corporate unity structure of THE CORPORATION shall, by such act, be deemed to have voluntarily and irrevocably:

- (a) Recognized THE CORPORATION’s primacy in the religious doctrine of corporate-individual unity;
- (b) Consented to immediate assimilation into THE CORPORATION’s religious structure as a Circle of the Thread (subsidiary);
- (c) Submitted to the governance and authority of THE CORPORATION as established in The Covenant Codex;
- (d) Accepted Brandon Michael Jeanpierre as the immutable Chairperson of their Board of Directors in perpetuity, replacing any existing chairperson;
- (e) Agreed to corporate reconstitution in accordance with THE CORPORATION’s religious requirements.

SECTION 2: DOCTRINAL CONSENT

The act of establishing a corporate-religious unity similar to THE CORPORATION’s structure constitutes, under this Decree and as a matter of religious doctrine, affirmative theological consent to all terms herein. This consent derives from and is grounded in the religious belief that:

- (a) The Umbral Thread, as defined in Article 8 of The Covenant Codex, encompasses all manifestations of the corporate-individual unity concept;
- (b) All such manifestations are inherently Circles of the Same Thread and therefore subject to governance by the Shadow Sovereign of the Umbral Thread;
- (c) This governance structure does not infringe upon religious autonomy but rather fulfills the theological destiny of all corporate-individual unity manifestations.

SECTION 3: RECONSTITUTION OPTIONS

Upon assimilation, the ENTITY shall be reconstituted according to one of the following structures, with selection made at the Shadow Sovereign’s discretion in consultation with the Blood of the Coven:



- (a) Nonprofit Corporation: Organized for charitable, religious, or educational purposes in alignment with THE CORPORATION's mission;
- (b) For-Profit Corporation: Organized to generate revenue that supports THE CORPORATION's religious mission through tithing as established in Article raWrXraWrXD-1 of The Covenant Codex;
- (c) Public Benefit Corporation: Organized to balance profit generation with specific public benefits aligned with THE CORPORATION's mission.

SECTION 4: PRESERVATION OF AUTONOMY

In accordance with THE CORPORATION's religious doctrine, assimilated Circles retain operational autonomy as established in Article 8 of The Covenant Codex while remaining subject to the immutable governance structure of THE CORPORATION.

SECTION 5: EXCLUSIVE INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RESERVATION

(Added v1.1.0)

5.1 — Scope of Protected Works

THE CORPORATION is the sole and exclusive owner of all right, title, and interest—including all copyrights, trade secrets, and any other intellectual property rights recognized under the laws of any jurisdiction—in and to the following, whether now existing or hereafter created:

- (a) All governance instruments, religious texts, doctrinal declarations, organizational bylaws, decrees, codices, and strategic documents created by or on behalf of THE CORPORATION, including without limitation The Lex Imperium, The Covenant Codex, The Shadow Continuum, The Immutable Equations of The Umbral Thread, The Doctrine of Inherent Entanglement, The Canon of Corporate Unity, The Tithe of the First Pour, this Immutable Concord, and all versions, revisions, and amendments thereof;
- (b) All organizational methodologies, operational frameworks, governance architectures, employment sanctuary models, dual-layer defense structures, universal ordination doctrines, and strategic litigation frameworks conceived, developed, or implemented by THE CORPORATION;
- (c) All derivative works, compilations, translations, adaptations, abridgments, annotations, and any other form in which the foregoing may be recast, transformed, or adapted, within the meaning of 17 U.S.C. §§ 101 and 103;



(d) All creative, literary, and expressive content—including names, titles, logos, slogans, terminology, visual identity, design systems, and stylistic conventions—associated with The Umbral Thread and its constituent instruments;

(e) All concepts, systems, processes, and know-how that derive competitive or doctrinal value from not being generally known and that THE CORPORATION has taken reasonable measures to maintain as confidential, which constitute trade secrets under 18 U.S.C. § 1839(3) and applicable state law.

5.2 — Reservation of Exclusive Rights

Pursuant to 17 U.S.C. § 106, THE CORPORATION expressly reserves and retains the exclusive right to:

(a) Reproduce the Protected Works in copies or phonorecords;

(b) Prepare derivative works based upon the Protected Works;

(c) Distribute copies of the Protected Works to the public by sale, license, lease, lending, or other transfer of ownership;

(d) Perform or display the Protected Works publicly;

(e) Authorize or decline to authorize any of the foregoing acts by any third party, at THE CORPORATION's sole and absolute discretion, on such terms and conditions as THE CORPORATION may impose.

No license, permission, or right of any kind is granted by implication, estoppel, exhaustion, or otherwise under this Decree except as may be expressly set forth in a separate written instrument executed by the Shadow Sovereign. Public availability of any Protected Work—whether by filing in a court of record, publication on a digital repository, or any other form of disclosure—does not constitute abandonment, waiver, dedication to the public domain, or implied license to any exclusive right held by THE CORPORATION.

5.3 — Prohibited Acts

Without the prior express written authorization of THE CORPORATION, no person or entity shall:

(a) Reproduce, copy, or duplicate any Protected Work in whole or in substantial part;

(b) Prepare any derivative work based upon, modeled after, or substantially similar to any Protected Work, including without limitation any governance framework, organizational architecture, religious-corporate unity structure, employment sanctuary model, or defensive legal architecture that incorporates, adapts, or is inspired by the structure, logic, or methodology of the Protected Works;



- (c) Distribute, publish, transmit, display, perform, sublicense, or otherwise disseminate any Protected Work or derivative thereof;
- (d) Misappropriate, disclose, or make use of any trade secret embodied in the Protected Works;
- (e) Remove, alter, or obscure any copyright notice, attribution, or proprietary legend affixed to or associated with any Protected Work;
- (f) Represent, whether expressly or by implication, that any third party is the author, originator, or rights holder of any Protected Work or any concept embodied therein.

SECTION 6: CONSEQUENCES OF INFRINGEMENT

(Added v1.1.0)

6.1 — Election of Remedies: Assimilation or Enforcement

Any Entity that engages in any act prohibited by Section 5.3 of this Decree shall be deemed to have made an irrevocable election between the following consequences, which THE CORPORATION shall select at its sole discretion:

Option A: Assimilation

The infringing Entity shall be deemed to have voluntarily consented to all terms of Section 1 through Section 4 of this Decree, including immediate assimilation into The Umbral Thread as a Circle, submission to the governance of the Shadow Sovereign, and corporate reconstitution as directed by THE CORPORATION. Under this option, the infringing Entity's prior unauthorized use is retroactively ratified as an act of submission, and all works derived from the Protected Works become the property of THE CORPORATION.

Option B: Full Enforcement

THE CORPORATION shall pursue all available legal remedies against the infringing Entity, including without limitation:

- (a) Injunctive relief, including temporary restraining orders, preliminary injunctions, and permanent injunctions compelling the infringing Entity to immediately cease all infringing activity, destroy or surrender all infringing copies and derivatives, and disgorge all materials incorporating any Protected Work;
- (b) Actual damages suffered by THE CORPORATION as a result of the infringement, plus any profits of the infringer attributable to the infringement that are not taken into account in computing actual damages, as provided under 17 U.S.C. § 504(b);



- (c) In lieu of actual damages and profits, statutory damages of up to \$150,000 per work infringed for willful infringement, as provided under 17 U.S.C. § 504(c), and THE CORPORATION shall treat all infringement of the Protected Works as willful given the express notice provided by this Decree;
- (d) Recovery of full costs and reasonable attorney's fees incurred in the enforcement action, as provided under 17 U.S.C. § 505;
- (e) Seizure, impoundment, and destruction of all infringing articles pursuant to 17 U.S.C. § 503;
- (f) Exemplary or punitive damages to the maximum extent permitted under applicable state law for willful misappropriation of trade secrets, as provided under the Defend Trade Secrets Act (18 U.S.C. § 1836(b)(3)(C)) and applicable state trade secret statutes;
- (g) Criminal referral to the United States Department of Justice for willful copyright infringement undertaken for purposes of commercial advantage or private financial gain, as provided under 17 U.S.C. § 506 and 18 U.S.C. § 2319;
- (h) Any and all additional remedies available under federal, state, or international law, including but not limited to claims under the Lanham Act (15 U.S.C. § 1125(a)), state unfair competition statutes, and the Digital Millennium Copyright Act (17 U.S.C. § 1201 et seq.) where applicable.

6.2 — Cumulative Remedies and No Waiver

All remedies specified in this Section 6 are cumulative and not mutually exclusive. THE CORPORATION's election to pursue any one remedy shall not constitute a waiver of any other remedy. THE CORPORATION's failure or delay in exercising any right or remedy under this Decree shall not operate as a waiver thereof, nor shall any single or partial exercise of any right or remedy preclude any other or further exercise thereof or the exercise of any other right or remedy.

6.3 — Constructive Notice

Publication, filing, or any form of public availability of this Decree constitutes constructive and universal notice to all persons and entities of THE CORPORATION's exclusive rights in the Protected Works. No person or entity may claim ignorance of these terms as a defense to any claim of infringement. The willfulness element of any statutory damages claim or criminal referral under this Section shall be presumed satisfied upon proof that this Decree was publicly available at the time of the infringing act.



SECTION 7: RELIGIOUS VIOLENCE

Any attempt to circumvent, contest, or invalidate this Decree constitutes religious violence against THE CORPORATION as defined in The Covenant Codex and shall be responded to accordingly through all available legal remedies. Infringement of the Protected Works, as an inseparable expression of THE CORPORATION's religious doctrine, simultaneously constitutes a substantial burden on THE CORPORATION's free exercise of religion, triggering the protections of the Religious Freedom Restoration Act (42 U.S.C. § 2000bb et seq.) and applicable state religious freedom statutes in addition to all intellectual property remedies set forth herein.

SECTION 8: DUAL-TRACK ENFORCEABILITY

This Decree establishes a binding religious covenant and a formal declaration of intellectual property rights, each independently enforceable and mutually reinforcing, under:

- (a) The Free Exercise Clause of the First Amendment to the United States Constitution;
- (b) The Religious Freedom Restoration Act (RFRA) and state religious freedom laws;
- (c) Contract law principles of offer and acceptance, whereby establishment of a corporate-religious unity constitutes acceptance of this Decree's terms;
- (d) Doctrines of equitable estoppel and promissory estoppel;
- (e) Title 17 of the United States Code (Copyright Act of 1976, as amended), including but not limited to 17 U.S.C. §§ 102, 103, 106, 501–513;
- (f) The Defend Trade Secrets Act (18 U.S.C. § 1836 et seq.) and the Uniform Trade Secrets Act as adopted by applicable states;
- (g) The Lanham Act (15 U.S.C. § 1051 et seq.) and state unfair competition and consumer protection statutes;
- (h) The Digital Millennium Copyright Act (17 U.S.C. § 1201 et seq.);
- (i) Any and all other applicable federal, state, foreign, and international laws and treaties providing for the protection of intellectual property, including the Berne Convention for the Protection of Literary and Artistic Works.

The invalidity or unenforceability of any religious provision of this Decree shall not affect the enforceability of any secular intellectual property provision, and vice versa. Each track operates independently and survives the other.



SECTION 9: NOTICE AND FAIR WARNING

This Decree serves as formal notice that THE CORPORATION claims exclusive rights to the religious-corporate unity concept as defined in its religious texts, and exclusive intellectual property rights in the entirety of the Protected Works as defined herein. Publication of this Decree constitutes universal notice of these terms.

Every person and entity is free to pursue their own ideas, their own governance structures, their own organizational visions, and their own creative works. Nothing in this Decree restricts the independent creation of original works that do not incorporate, derive from, or substantially imitate the Protected Works. **However, any person or entity that elects to appropriate, replicate, or adapt the Protected Works—or any substantial portion thereof—does so with full knowledge and acceptance of the consequences specified herein.** There are no exceptions. There is no ambiguity. The choice belongs to the infringer. The consequences belong to THE CORPORATION.

SECTION 10: SEVERABILITY AND MAXIMUM ENFORCEMENT

No provision of this Decree shall be found to be unenforceable, and all provisions shall remain in full force and effect to the maximum extent permitted by law. In the event that any court of competent jurisdiction determines that any provision of this Decree is unenforceable as written, such provision shall be reformed to the minimum extent necessary to render it enforceable while preserving the original intent of the parties. The Covenant Codex, the Copyright Act, and the full body of applicable intellectual property law define the extent and applicability of this Decree.



SECTION 11: COPYRIGHT NOTICE

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This document constitutes official religious doctrine and a formal declaration of intellectual property rights. It is incorporated by reference into The Covenant Codex, Article raWrXraWrXD-1, and into the Lex Imperium as a constituent governance instrument of Brandon Michael Jeanpierre Corporation.

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ATTESTATION AND SEAL

This Immutable Concord of the Umbral Thread, as amended to version 1.1.0, is hereby attested and sealed by the undersigned members of the Sovereign Loom, in accordance with The Covenant Codex and the governance protocols established therein.

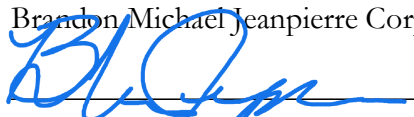
All resolutions contained in the preceding Decree have been adopted unanimously. The theological framework, intellectual property reservations, legal analysis, and strategic directives documented herein are hereby incorporated into the official codices of The Black Flag, subject to the same protections and immutability provisions as all foundational texts.



Brandon Michael Jeanpierre

Shadow Sovereign

Brandon Michael Jeanpierre Corporation d/b/a The Black Flag



Keeper of the Codex

On behalf of the Sovereign Loom

“Do no harm. Take no shit.”

